

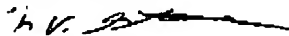
Remarks/Arguments

The substitute specification contains no new matter. The nature of the amendment are cosmetic. The most noticeable amendment is the re-location of two paragraphs (related to the drawings) from the end of the specification (pages 6-7 of the filed specification) to the end of the "Brief Description of the Drawings" section (now at pages 2-3 of the substitute specification). Other amendments are made to improve the English usage. Attached is a marked version of the specification showing the amendments.

Claims 1-5 have been cancelled. New claims 6-25 (with independent claims 6, 14 and 19) are pending. New claims 6-25 total twenty in number and no additional fees are due.

Accompanying this Preliminary Amendment, is an Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) to replace the one that accompanied the filing of this application. The current IDS repeats the references in the earlier one and additionally identifies three non-patent references (with an attached copy of those references) and two US patent references.

Respectfully,



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attachments: substitute specification and marked-up specification
separate cover - IDS